

District No. 12, as follows: Algoma East, Algoma West, Simcoe East, Simcoe South, Simcoe West, Muskoka, Parry Sound East, Parry Sound West, Nipissing East, Nipissing West and Manitoulin.

The president stated that if there was no objection he would put Mr. Darling's amendment as a motion.

Mr. Holterman moved, seconded by Mr. Marrison, that the vote be taken by ballot.

Mr. McEvoy moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Darling, that an open vote be taken.

The president put the amendment, which on a vote having been taken, was declared carried.

The president put the amendment to allow the by-laws to stand as at present with the exception of inserting the necessary details as to the different ridings as set forth in Mr. Darling's amendment, which on a vote having been taken, was declared carried.

### THIRD SESSION.

#### A Season With Bees and How to Manage Them.

(W. A. Hoshal, Beamsville, Ont.)

Mr. President and Gentlemen: I have no apology to offer this afternoon for being here. The secretary asked me to come, and I haven't the least doubt at all but that he was prompted by the president himself. If this address at this time does not come up to your expectations, and you do not get full value for the time you waste in listening to it, don't blame the speaker altogether.

I might say I have been assigned no subject. It was left to myself. Under the circumstances I was partial to myself and chose an easy one. What I chose for the occasion was "A Season with the Bees and How to Manage Them. You will notice that this is quite comprehensive as well as being an easy one, and if I deal

with it in a comprehensive and thorough manner I presume when I get through with it there will be nothing left for any one to say.

To get down to real business in this matter and tell you why I chose the subject may help us a little bit in the discussion of it. I have attended a few meetings of this association, and I have read the Journals from time to time and one subject I failed to get hold of entirely was, so to speak, a general outline of a system of management which covered a whole year, or a general plan which could be filled in afterward in minutiae and detail. I have noticed bee keepers begin to

build up a system the other way. They get an idea here and another some place else and then they try to put them together. It is something like a man starting to build a house and going to one manufacturer and ordering a door



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and to some one else for two or three window, lumber from someone else in indefinite quantities, and finally he gets all together, and says, I am going to build a house; and then he tries to patch those parts up into something the best he can. The intelligent way is to obtain a plan from the architect first, and get something that you can fill out. In going into bee-keeping it strikes me that the same logic holds good if we are to make a success. Get a general plan in your minds in the first place and then go to work and fill it out afterwards with such devices and means that fit the system.

In addressing you this afternoon I